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For: MESOPOROUS-SILICA FILMS, FIBERS, AND POWDERS BY EVAPORATION

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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board from the decision of the Primary Examiner mailed October 6, 2003 finally rejecting claims 188 and 189. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

STATUS OF APPLICANT This application is on behalf of ○ other than a small entity small entity. Verified statement □ attached ☒ already filed on August 26, 1997. FEE FOR FILING NOTICE OF APPEAL Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.17(e) the fee for filing the Notice of Appeal is: ○ small entity \$160.00 ○ other than a small entity \$320.00 Notice of Appeal fee due \$160.00

3. EXTENSION OF TERM

NOTE: The time periods set forth in 37 CFR 1.191 are subject to the provision of #1.136 for patent applications 37 CFR 1.191(d). But see 37 CFR 1.645 for extension of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extension of time in reexamination proceedings).

apply.	(complete (a) or (b) as applicable) The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136					
(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.17 (a)-(d) for the to number of months checked below:					
	Extens	sion Fee: Months one month two months three months four months	Small Entity \$ 55.00 \$190.00 \$435.00 \$680.00		110.00 \$ 110.00 \$ 380.00 \$ 870.00 \$1,360.00	
	If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.					
		(check and comple	te the next item, if app	licable)		
	An extension for months has already been secured and the fee paid therefor of \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.					
	Extens	sion fee due with this reques	st	\$ 160.00		
(b)	\boxtimes	or Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.				
4.	TOTAL FEE DUE					
	The total fee due is: \$160.00					
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5. FEE PAYMENT

- PTO Form 2038 authorizing credit card payment for the above-listed fee is enclosed.
- Any deficiency or overpayment for extensions of time or claims should be charged or credited to deposit account number 13-1703. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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